

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 **EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED EXAMINING GROUP 1774**

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In re Application of:

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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND

METHOD OF MANUFACTURING

THE SAME

Mail Stop AF

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed August 13, 2004, the period for response having been extended to January 13, 2005, by a two-month request for extension of time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose to amend the above captioned patent application as follows:

Amendments are included in the attached replacement drawing sheets. The amendments are discussed at page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin at page 3 of this paper.

Attachments to this paper include drawing replacement sheets pages 1-36.